

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**At Paragraphs [01] and [02]**

Please amend paragraphs [01] and [02] of the specification as follows:

**[01]** This application makes reference to, claims priority to, and claims the benefit of:

United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/432,472 (~~Attorney Docket No. 44185US01-01001P-BP-2800~~) filed December 11, 2002;

United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/443,894 (~~Attorney Docket No. 44274US01-01002P-BP-2801~~) filed January 30, 2003;

United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/457,179 (~~Attorney Docket No. 44825US01-01015P-BP-2831~~) filed March 25, 2003; and

United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/447,131 (~~Attorney Docket No. 44310US01-01036P-BP-2817~~) filed February 12, 2003.

**[02]** This application also makes reference to:

United States Application Serial No. [[ ]]10/657,390 (~~Attorney Docket No. 44185US02-01001P-BP-2800~~) filed September 8, 2003; and

United States Application Serial No. [[ ]]10/660,267 (~~Attorney Docket No. 44274US02-01002P-BP-2801~~) filed September 11, 2003; and.

**At Paragraph [04]**

Please add the underlined section header before paragraph [04] and amend paragraph [04] of the specification as follows:

**FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

**[04]** The present invention relates to providing personalized media overlays to a user. In particular, certain embodiments of the present invention relate to providing local and remote personalized media overlays to a user of a communication network for communicating media or media exchange network, indicating the status of media peripherals and home appliances, and making the user aware of newly available media on the media exchange network.

**At Paragraphs [33] and [34]**

Please amend paragraphs [33] and [34] of the specification as follows:

**[33]** Fig. 1A is a schematic block diagram illustrating an exemplary communication network that may be utilized in connection with supporting remote personalized overlay in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention. Referring to Fig. 1A, the media exchange network 60 may include a first location such as a user's home 1, a remote location 2, media and data storage 3, external support systems 4, and a communication infrastructure 5. The communication infrastructure 5 may provide a

common communication transport that may link the user's home 1, the remote location 2, the media and data storage 3 and the external support systems 4. The remote location 2 may include, for example, an office, a parent's home, and/or a friend's home.

**[34]** The first location or user's home 1 may include PC 6, PDA ~~[[8]]~~9, media peripherals 10, 11, home appliance 14, and a media processing system (MPS) 16. The remote location 2 may include PC 7, PDA 9, media peripherals 12, 13, home appliance 15 and a media processing system (MPS) ~~16 and 17~~, respectively. Media peripherals, as used herein, may include media capture devices, media player devices and any combination thereof. The media capture devices may include, for example, digital cameras and digital camcorders. The media player devices may include, for example, WMA and MP3 players. Although the media peripherals may be integrated with a personal computer, the invention is not limited in this regard. Accordingly, media peripherals may be external to the personal computer and may be standalone or portable devices. A personal computer (PC) comprising media exchange software (MES) running on or being executed by the personal computer, may also be referred to as a media processing system.

**At Paragraphs [37] and [38]**

Please amend paragraphs [37] and [38] of the specification as follows:

**[37]** A fully integrated media processing system having a television screen may be designed from the ground up having full media processing capability. The media processing systems 16, 17 may be fully integrated media processing systems. Media processing system 16 may include a television screen 18, a television broadcast processing platform 20, a television exchange processing platform 22 and communication interface(s) 24. Media processing system 17 may include a television screen 19, a television broadcast processing platform 21, a television exchange processing platform ~~[[22]]~~23 and communication interface(s) ~~[[24, ]]~~25. Alternatively, a set-top-box may be software enhanced and interfaced with a television to form a media processing system.

**[38]** The communication infrastructure 5 may include cable infrastructure, xDSL infrastructure, Internet infrastructure, intranet infrastructure or other similar access and/or transport infrastructure that may facilitate the exchange of media and/or data between, for example, the user's home 1 and the remote location 2 and/or the media and data storage 3. The media and data storage 3 may include user storage and distribution systems ~~[[126]]~~26 and also third party storage and distribution systems ~~[[127]]~~27.

**At Paragraph [41]**

Please amend paragraph [41] of the specification as follows:

**[41]** United States Patent Application Serial No. [[ ]]10/675,382 (~~Attorney Docket No. 14276US02~~) filed September 30, 2003 and United States Patent Application Serial No. [[ ]]10/675,467 (~~Attorney Docket No. 14278US02~~) filed September 30, 2003 provides exemplary media view or guide, device view or guide, and channel view or guide, and are hereby incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

**At Paragraph [43]**

Please amend paragraph [43] of the specification as follows:

**[43]** In an illustrative embodiment of the invention, a user at the first location or the user's home 1 may have a desire to transfer pictures from media peripheral 10 to PDA [[8]]9 using the television screen 18 and a remote control to command the exchange. The media peripheral 10 may be a digital camera and the [[8 ]]television screen 18 may have a television guide look-and-feel. During the media exchange process, the pictures are not actually being consumed or viewed by the user on the television screen. Accordingly, the core or heart of the television broadcast processing platform 20, which includes channel tuning, amplification and/or decoding, is not being utilized. The television exchange processing platform 22 in the media processing system 16, however, is being utilized to coordinate, command, and accomplish the exchange. The communication interfaces 24 provide the interface between the television screen 18 and the television exchange processing platform 22 in the media processing system 16.

**At Paragraph [51]**

Please amend paragraph [51] of the specification as follows:

**[51]** Various third (3rd) party services may also be provided by the media exchange network 60. For example, synchronized television commercial services ~~[[128]]~~28 may also be provided. Television channel requests may be synchronized to commercials provided by a third (3rd) party such as the external support system 4. In this regard, a particular television commercial, for example, may have an associated code that a user at the first location or user's home 1 may enter using their remote control and television channel guide user interface. The associated television commercial code may be displayed along with the television commercial on the television screen 18. The user may respond to the television commercial by entering the code within the television guide user interface displayed on the television screen 18. The code may be processed by the television exchange processing platform 22 in the media processing system 16 and transmitted via the communication infrastructure 5 to the external support system 4. Accordingly, the third (3rd) party may subsequently transfer or push detailed advertisement media, for example, to the media processing system 16 at the first location or user's home 1 via the communication infrastructure 5.

**At Paragraphs [56] – [60]**

Please amend paragraphs [56] – [60] of the specification as follows:

**[56]** Fig. 1B is a diagram illustrating an embodiment of a media exchange network 100 supporting local and remote personalized media overlay, in accordance with various aspects of the present invention. Referring to Fig. 1B, the media exchange network 100 may be a communication network comprising a media processing system 104 at a user's home 101, a media processing system 119 located at, for example, an office, friend's or family member's home 102, a third (3rd) party media provider 103, and an Internet-based media exchange network infrastructure 112, which couples the media processing system 104, the media processing system 119, and the 3rd party media provider 103.

**[57]** The Internet-based media exchange network infrastructure ~~[[108]]~~112 may include, for example, cable infrastructure, satellite network infrastructure, xDSL infrastructure, Internet infrastructure, intranet infrastructure and/or other access or transport technology providing wide area network (WAN) connectivity and capabilities.

**[58]** The media exchange network 100 at the user's home 101 may also comprise media peripheral(s) 106, personal computer(s) 107, and home appliance(s) 108, which may be coupled to the local area network 105. The media processing system (MPS) 104 may include one or more interfaces that may provide connectivity to the local area network 105. The media peripherals 106 may include, for example, a digital camera, a digital camcorder, a MP3 or WMA player, a home and/or portable juke-box system, a

PDA, a handheld computer, a PC tablet and a multi-media gateway device, for example. The MPS's ~~101, 103~~104, 119 may each include a TV screen or monitor 109, 106b, respectively, for viewing a device view or guide, a media view or guide, a channel view or guide, and various sub-menus of each, in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention. The views may be provided by the media exchange server (MES) platforms 110 and ~~[[111]]~~110b, respectively.

**[59]** Similarly, at the remote location 102, the media exchange network also comprises media peripheral(s) 115, personal computer(s) 116, and home appliance(s) 118 connected together by a local area network (LAN) 117. The local area network 117 also interfaces to the media processing system (MPS) 119.

**[60]** The local area networks 105 and 117 may be adapted to utilize, for example, wired and/or wireless technology, such as Bluetooth, 802.11a, 802.11b and 802.11g. In this regard, the local area networks 105 and 117 may provide local area network (LAN) capability in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention.

**At Paragraph [64]**

Please amend paragraph [64] of the specification as follows:

**[64]** Fig. 1C is a diagram illustrating an embodiment of a personalized media overlay window 123 that may be displayed on a television screen 120 of the media processing system 104 in the media exchange network 100 of Fig. 1B, in accordance with various



aspects of the present invention. The media processing system 104 may be controlled via a remote control 124. [[ ]]The remote control 124 may communicate with the media processing system 104 via, for example, Bluetooth infrared or RF signals, in accordance with various embodiments of the present invention.